

Gentlemen;

I oppose any restriction on satellite radio in favor of local broadcasters. I have the opportunity to listen to both satellite radio and local radio, and the reception of the satellite radio is far superior to that of the local FM stations. I understand that local broadcasters fear losing market share to satellite, but living and working in rural Florida, I have few choices for local radio- the reception is marginal, at best, in my office, of all but 2 or 3 local stations, and those that I do receive are dreck. If I have the opportunity to receive local news via satellite, I will use it; otherwise, I am left with little or no choice for local news and traffic and weather. While those individuals living in more urban areas may have a plethora of choices, those of us in the hinterlands typically have little choice.